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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT:

Request for Information About Attached Telegrams

- 1. The following information and attachments are from Evron Kirkpatrick, Department of State.
- 2. Mr. David Dallin, who has written a number of books on the USSR in the last several years, including "Slave Labor in the Soviet Union" and "Soviet Policy in the Far East," is at present engaged in writing a book tentatively entitled "History of Soviet Espionage."
- 3. Dallin wishes to refer to the attached telegrams, presumably exchanged during World War II between Soviet agents in Switzerland and Moscow.
- 4. Kirkpatrick believes that the value of the book for advancing US knowledge of Soviet espionage will be great. He also believes that the book should have some value to government agencies. However, the validity of these telegrams must be established lest Communists denounce the entire manuscript as a forgery.
- 5. Is there anything you can do to get an opinion on the validity of the telegrams in question?

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Attachments

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